REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication:	The Eel
Other Known Title:	U Na Gi
Format:	DVD
Director/Author:	Shohei Imamura
Producer/Publisher:	Hisa Iino
Country of Origin:	Japan
Language:	Japanese, with English subtitles
Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.
Descriptive Note:	Contains violence and sex scenes.
Display Conditions:	Nil
Date of entry in Register:	29 August 2005
Date of direction to issue a label:	29 August 2005
Applicant:	The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	AV Channel Gamewizz Interactive
OFLC No:	501487

Unexcised version of publication:

	Components	Running time
Menu:	Play Scenes Extras Setup	
Feature:	The Eel	134.26
Other timed components:	Copyright Warning / Madman Entertainment Notices SHV Notice Theatrical Trailer (The Eel) Overseas Classification Notices Dead Man A Stroll	 0.12 0.11 1.11 0.14 2.29 2.27
Other components:	DVD Credits Production Stills Subtitles	
Total running time:		141.10

Excisions: No Excisions Recommended

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The DVD entitled *The Eel* is classified as:
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The DVD contains a feature which is a director's cut version of a video recording which was previously examined and classified by the Office of Film and Literature Classification. The video version was classified as "Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years", with the descriptive note "Contains violence and sex scenes ". This decision was registered on 13 July 1998. The DVD version of the feature is more than 15 minutes longer than the video version, however the difference is imperceptible and may be in part put down to the difference in mediums and subsequent notices found on the DVD's feature.

The DVD version also has additional components including a theatrical trailer for the feature, and two advertisements for other features, productions stills and several notices. The additional components found on the DVD do not provide grounds to alter the classification given to the original publication.